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SUBJECTC OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

- 1. NEW PORTUGUESE DEM (FONSECA) HAS PROBLEM WITH CHILDREN'S EDUCATION. HE WASTRANSFERRED FROM SAN FRANCISCO WHERE CHILDREN ATTENDED U.S. SCHOOLS AND LEARNED ENGLISH, AND HE STRONGLY WISHES TO CONTINUE EDUCATION IN ENGLISH. HOWEVER, THERE NO ROOM IN A-A SCHOOL, AT LEAST THIS YEAR. FONSECA HAS ASKED IF WE COULD INVESTIGATE POSSIBILITY OF GETTING A CORRESPONDENCE COURSE FROM CALVERT SCHOOL FOR ONE OF HIS SONS, TO PERMIT TUTORIALS USING AMERICAN MATERIALS. COULD SOMEONE CALL CALVERT SCHOOL, TUSCANY ROAD, BALTIMORE, AND ASK THEM WHAT THE COST OF A THIRD GRADE COURSE IS AND RELAY TO ME BY THIS CHANNEL? WOULD THEY BE WILLING TO SHIP COURSE AND BILL FONSECA? (HE WANTS TO MINIMIZE INTERRUPTION IN SON'S EDUCATION.)
- 2. WE WERE, OF COURSE, OVERJOYED TO SEE THEVISAS FIVE CABLE (STATE 4692) IN GOULETSOS CASE. THE FAMILY FIRST RECEIVED EXIT PERMISSON IN OCTOBER 1973. WE HAVE INVITED THEM FOR FINAL VISA INTERVIEW FEBRUARY 18TH. OUR THANKS TO ALL IN EUR/SOV AND VO WHO HELPED WITH THE CASE. CONFIDENTIAL.

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3. REF STATE 7515 AND PETROSSIAN CASE, WE HAVE RECEIVED TELEGRAPHIC NOTIFICATION THAT PETITION HAS BEEN APPROVED. WE HAVE PREPARED A TELEGRAM SUBMITTING THE CASE TO DEPT FOR ADVISORY OPINION BUT WOULD LIKE YOUR THOUGHTS ON PROCEDURES. IF POSSIBLE WE WOULD LIKE TO AVOID TIME-CONSUMING CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN VO AND INS SUCH AS THOSE THAT WERE REQUIRED IN GOULETSOS

CASE. NAME CHECK ON PETROSSIAN IS STILL VALID SO THAT NO EAGLE CHECK WILL NOW BE SENT,. THUS AVOIDING POSSIBILITY FOR INS TO BE ALERTED THAT WAY AS IT WAS IN GOULETSOS CASE. THERE IS, HOWEVER, A PROBLEM IN THAT PETROSSIAN'S FAMILY IS STUCK IN ROME BECAUSE INS HAS REFUSED TO PROCESS THEIR CASES PENDING RESOLUTION OF HIS.

- 4. WE THINK BEST SOLUTION NOW MIGHT BE TO REFER HIS CASE TO DEPT IN OPEN CHANNEL WIHTOUT STADIS TAG AND HOPE THAT INS DOES NOT REQUEST TO BE CONSULTED. IF DEPT CLEARS HIS CASE, WE COULD THEN ISSUE HIM IVM UPON HIS ARRIVAL US, HE COULD FILE PETITION FOR HIS FAMILY THEREBY SHIFTING THEIR CASE FROM TCP IN ROME TO IVS IN NAPLES. THE ALTERNATIVE AS WE SEE IT WOULD BE FOR VO TO TAKE OUR CABLE TO INS FOR CONSULTATIONS PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF IV. IN ANY CASE, WE ARE TRANSMITTING REQUEST FOR ADVISORY OPINION AND WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING HOW YOU DECIDE TO HANDLE IT.
- 5. WE NOTED WITH INTEREST STATE 008410 WHICH ANNOUNCED APPROVAL OF EXPEDITIOUS PAROLE OF ROMEREFUGEES "WHO OTHRWISE MEET STANDARD CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION TO THE US." WE ARE, OF COURSE, ANXIOUS TO LEARN WHETHER THIS PAROLE WILL AFFECT FAMILY MEMBERS (ALREADY IN ROME) OF APPLICANTS WHO HAVEBEEN HELD INELIGIBLE BY INS ROME (I.E. SAFARYAN, PETROSSIAN, SADARIAN). IN MOST CASES SUSPENSION OF INS "COLLECTIVE GUILT" DOCTRINE WOULD BE HELPFUL, BUT IN SOME CASES, PARTICULARLY SAFARYAN'S, ADMISSION OFDEPENDENTS AS REFUGEES RATHER THAN PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIENS WOULD COMPLICATE AND DELAY POSITIVE RESOLUTION OF SAFARYAN'S PROBLEM WE INTEND TO APPROACH GENEVA AND POSSIBLY ROME ABOUT THAT CASE BUT WE WOULD CONFIDENTIAL

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APPRECIATE KNOWING ANYTHING YOU MAY HAVE HEARD ABOUT WHETHER PAROLE PROGRAM WILL ENCOMPASS SAFARYAN'S WIFE, AND IF SO, WHETHER THE PLAN TO HAVE HER COME AS REGULAR IMMIGRANT CAN BE RESUSCITATED. TOON

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